

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

**October 27, 2021**

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

**2021-89-E/2021-90-E**

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

**SUBJECT:**

[DOCKET NO. 2021-89-E](#) – Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A);

-and-

[DOCKET NO. 2021-90-E](#) – Duke Energy Progress, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A) – Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Final Disposition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

On July 23, 2021, prior to the scheduled hearing, a Stipulation of Agreement between Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") (together, the "Companies"); the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"); Carolinas Clean Energy Business Association ("CCEBA"); and South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (together, the "Environmental Parties") (collectively, the "Stipulating Parties") was filed with the Commission. All parties of record are signatories to this Stipulation but for the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs who informed the Commission in writing that it does not object to the Stipulation.

Pursuant to the Stipulation, the Stipulating Parties agree to and recommend:

- (1) approval of the Companies' proposed avoided cost methodology and calculation of avoided energy and avoided capacity rates;
- (2) that DEC/DEP continue to update the Large QF Tariffs in a manner consistent with Order Nos. 2019-881(A) and 2020-315(A), as well as continue to provide updates to this Commission regarding the progress on revisions to the Solar Integration Service Charges ("SISC");
- (3) that DEC/DEP continue to provide detailed information regarding updated inputs on request to QFs that are negotiating a PPA with DEC or DEP, and to also provide such information upon request to CCEBA, as provided by Order No. 2020-315(A);
- (4) that any Party can bring before the Commission any dispute regarding the application of the Companies' Integrated Resource Plans to the Large QF Tariffs;
- (5) that DEC/DEP's avoided energy rate structure includes differentiation of Summer, Winter and Shoulder seasons. For DEC, the rate design reflects ten (10) energy pricing periods, and for DEP, the rate design reflects nine (9) energy pricing periods. Each pricing period reflects the energy value of QF generation during the different time periods;
- (6) that DEC/DEP's Standard Offer PPA, in conjunction with Schedule PP and the updated

supporting Terms and Conditions, offer eligible QFs a term duration of ten (10) years; (7) that DEC/DEP's Solar Integration Services Charge remain the same.

Based upon the evidence in the record, I move that the Commission approve and adopt the Stipulation Agreement in this proceeding. I further move that the Commission find that this Stipulation is just and commercially reasonable and that nothing in the Stipulation, including anything reflected on DEC/DEP's updated (a) Standard Offer PPA, Tariff, Terms and Conditions, (b) Large QF PPA and tariffs, and (c) Notice of Commitment Form, is -- or can be -- inconsistent with the requirements of PURPA and South Carolina Act 62 of 2019.

An order more fully setting out our rulings will follow. I so move.

PRESIDING: J. Williams

SESSION: Regular

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER	
BELSER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
CASTON	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Voting via WebEx
POWERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
THOMAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Voting via WebEx
C. WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
J. WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

